TESTIMONY IN SUPPORT OF BILL #HB1476

Independent Oversight and Review Board for Health Care of Inmates in State Correctional Facilities-Establishment

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To: Chairman Luke Clippinger, Madame Chair Vanessa Atterbeary and Members of the House Judiciary Committee

Re: SUPPORT FOR BILL#HB1476

I support this bill because i have been dramatically impacted from my time of incarceration because of the medical neglect and also the trauma that we as "inmates" receive. There should be no reason as to why with the same type of insurance inside and outside of incarceration I am treated very differently. It is not appropriate that if i were in prison today and was having chest pains i would be left in a cell, by myself, to wait until the chest pains went away. maybe i would be given water and tylenol but that is a very slim chance. But if i were to leave prison tomorrow and go to a medical provider they would monitor me and hook me up to machines to monitor my heart rate to thoroughly make sure that i would be okay and survive if i were to leave their facility. This is riduculous and needs to have a stop put to it.

Respectfully submitted,

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